

ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (EA/EIS)

Part I. Proposed Action Description

Applicant/Contact Name & Address: US Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management
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Type of Action: _Change Application to add two new locations for stock watering tank

Location Affected by Action: Beaverhead County, approximately 15 miles SE of Dillon
Montana, NWSWSW Section 32 T8S, R10W

Narrative Summary of Proposed Action: The purpose of the Change Application is to provide flexibility for the permittee to run a smaller herd during the period of June 1 to October, have better distribution of animals throughout the allotment and give the allotment a rest one year out of six.

Part II. Existing Environmental Review Information

Title: Anderson Field Allotment Management Plan change and Juniper Pipeline Project,
Anderson Field Grazing Allotment #30026

Publication Date: August 2009

Lead Agency: Bureau of Land Management' Dillon Field Office

Location Where Interested Parties Can View or Obtain the Document: BLM, Dillon Field Office,
1005 Selway Dr, Dillon, MT 59725 or in the project change file in the Helena Regional Office of
Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Helena, Montana

Part III. Criteria for Adopting Existing Environmental Review

- ☒_x_Yes ___No Does the existing environmental review cover an action paralleling or closely related to the proposed action?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No Is the information in the existing environmental review accurate and clearly presented?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No Is the information in the existing environmental review applicable to the action being considered?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No Were all appropriate Agencies consulted during preparation of the existing environmental review?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No Were alternatives to the proposed action evaluated as part of the existing environmental review effort?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No Have all of the impacts of the proposed action been accurately identified as part of the existing environmental review?
- ☒_x_Yes ___No If the existing environmental review identifies any significant impacts as a result of the proposed action, will they be mitigated below the level of significance?

Part IV. Conclusion

If the answers to ALL of the questions listed above are "Yes", the existing environmental review can be considered sufficient to satisfy DNRC's MEPA review responsibilities.

Yes ☒_x_ ___ No ___ Based on the criteria evaluated in the existing EA, is an EIS required?

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Date: 06/21/2012

Signature: _____